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TRIM ASSEMBLY HAVING AN INTEGRATED GROMMET AND METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME

Abstract

An interior trim assembly comprises a substrate member forming at least a part of the structural support of the trim assembly and having a front surface adapted to face the interior of the automobile and a back surface adapted to face opposite the front surface. The substrate member includes a connecting member integrally molded with the substrate member and having an aperture formed therethrough. A grommet is integrally molded in the aperture. Preferably, the substrate member has a hardness and the grommet has a hardness that is relatively lower than the hardness of the substrate member. A two-shot molding process may be used to make the trim assembly with the substrate member and connecting member being formed in the first shot and the grommet being formed in the second shot.